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Note and Comment

The Legislature has spent an exceptionally busy and interesting week. The most striking feature was provided by Mr. Mackenzie of McLeod, when he brought to the attention of the House the criticism which had been directed by certain clergymen in Toronto against the Mormon citizens of Southern Alberta. The matter was dealt with at length in last week's issue of the Saturday News and in another part of the present issue it is again taken up. Mr. Mackenzie, speaking from intimate knowledge, emphatically repudiated the statements of Prof. Kilpatrick, Dr. Sommerville and the Toronto Globe, and the legislature was unanimous in expressing its agreement. Mr. Robertson, the leader of the opposition, Mr. Cross, the attorney-general, Mr. Simmons of Lethbridge, and Mr. Moore of Red Deer all declared that the province had no better citizens. Mr. Cross informed the House that he had made investigation since these charges had been formulated in the east and had found that there was 25 per cent. less crime in the Mormon district than in any other similar area in the province. It was the only district in which local option prevailed. As for the polygamy change, no information had ever been laid against an Albertan Mormon for violation of the marriage laws. The debate was brought to a conclusion by Mr. J. W. Woolf, the Mormon member for Cardston, whose defence of his fellow-religionists was most earnest and effective. The Mormons had entered on their homesteads like other settlers. They received no favors and asked for none. No polygamist marriages had been entered into since 1890, when they were prohibited by law, and the only persons in polygamist relations in Utah were those who had entered into them previous to that date.

Some citizens of Calgary do not appear to be as anxious to swell the city's population as the editor of the Herald. Influential deputations have been waiting on the government to put the case for and against the proposition to extend the limits. The problem is one that legislatures in the older provinces have been up against from time to time. It is manifestly unfair that property owners in the suburbs of a municipality should be able to remain outside indefinitely, but they may in most cases be depended upon to fight against extension as long as possible. In this particular case, there is a wide disagreement

Albertans in the Public Eye.



MR. JACKSON HANBY.

Mr Jackson Hanby, under whose conductorship so fine a production of the oratorio "The Creation" was given on Monday night at McDougall church, an extended notice of which appears on another page, is a gentleman who has done much for the advancement of musical culture in Edmonton. He is a thorough musician of rare ability and experience. His first training he received as a chorister in his boyhood home at Leeds, England. When fifteen years old he came to Winnipeg with his parents. Having a strong desire to proceed with his musical education, he became a pupil of Harry J. Wheeler in Boston. He was at different times tenor soloist at several large American churches, notably Calvary church, San Francisco. In concert work he has travelled in almost every State of the Union. Later he returned to Winnipeg, where he was connected with various churches and came to occupy a large place in the musical world of the city. He was choir master at St. Andrew's church, immediately previous to leaving for Edmonton two years ago. He is now the efficient director of McDougall church choir. As a soloist he is in constant demand, and possessed a tenor voice of much sweetness and power. As a leader, he is thorough in his methods and full of genuine enthusiasm. "The Creation", his second ambitious venture in Edmonton, Gaul's "Holy City" being given an excellent production in the city last winter.

regarding terms. To avoid similar difficulties in the future, it would be well to adopt a general rule and stick to it.

The Minister of Public Works had this week the honor for the second time during the session of introducing a bill of far-reaching importance. The first was the telephone measure. On Monday he had the railway act in hand. The government showed wisdom in deciding to frame general legislation dealing with the subject and forcing each company to conform to it. The time for construction of any railway is limited to two years for the first thirty miles and one year for each succeeding thirty miles until the end of five years, when the road shall be completed or the company shall forfeit its charter with respect to the uncompleted portion of the road. Other clauses deal with drainage, fences,

cattle guards, use of the line for mail and military stores, the paying of current wages and the making of annual returns to the government. A most important clause is that by which the government may take over a railway subject to the legislation of the province when it is deemed to be in the best interests of the province to do so. In the event of disagreement over the terms of acquisition, the government is to take over the railway after giving one year's notice at a compensation fixed by arbitration. If difficulty arises over the appointment of the third arbitrator he is to be appointed by the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Canada.

Public opinion is strongly asserting itself in regard to the congestion of railway traffic. Strong speeches were delivered in the legislature the other day on a motion

for investigation into the coal shortage made by Mr Mackenzie. But what will do more than anything else to make the companies sit up is the memorandum issued by Chairman Killam of the railway commission. That body, he declared, would insist on an improved service. "The board" he added "does not expect to accept answers to its questions but to make the subject one of further enquiry."

The London, England, Express published the following dispatch dated from Winnipeg, Feb. 5.

"The entire country between here and the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains is without fuel owing to the tremendous snowfall.

"There are no fewer than forty derelict locomotives between here and Edmonton, and the entire railway system of the Northwest is crippled. Edmonton and Calgary are cut off from communication with the outside world, and many smaller towns are in a worse plight.

"The temperature in Winnipeg is 40 degs. below zero. The trumcars have not been able to run for two days.

Dear, dear, isn't a mercy we didn't know what a dreadful experience we were going through!

The Thaw trial proceeds slowly, with all its unsavoury evidence. A minister in Boston has declared that the prisoner's wife, who has occupied the centre of the stage from the first, was "not bad" but "just lived to be happy." This is liberal theology with a vengeance. If the publication of the testimony in the newspapers does any good whatever, it is in disillusioning those who have wished for a taste of high life by showing what a miserable, unsatisfactory sort of thing it is in itself and to what depths of degradation it leads. There are so many agencies for showing vice in its pleasant aspects that it is a good thing now and then for us to see it in all its real hideousness. This is the excuse for the so-called problem plays.

Another revelation of the trial that should not be overlooked is the fact that a man may occupy a big place in the world of business, science and art and yet be a moral reprobate. Among those who were at the "pie-girl" dinner for instance were men of such prominence as Charles Dana Gibson, the artist, Nikola Tesla, the great electrician, Augustus St. Gaudens, one of the finest of American sculptors, and George W. Perkins, the partner of J. P. Morgan. White himself, it should be remembered, was an architect of international celebrity.

A meeting was called for the organization of an Alberta Historical Society the other night in the

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With the Investor

Tegler, Morris & Co. who have acquired the C. N. R. interest in the townsite sold fourteen lots in Mundare this week.

Watson & Co. report an increasing number of out-side investors in Edmonton realty and advancing values particularly in the east end.

Contractor Martin of Strathcona has received notice from the divisional engineer to the effect that the C.P.R. are now open for tenders for the erection of the new brick station and round-house at Strathcona.

Magrath, Hart & Co. report the sale of lot 52 block 5 H.B.R. for \$14,000 this week. This lot is the second lot east from the corner of Jasper avenue and 9th street.

J. E. Wize has completed plans for a hotel to be erected on the triangular lot at the intersection of Jasper avenue and Elizabeth street at Syndicate avenue. The hotel is to be built by Schuster and Neher and will occupy a ground space 90 x 54 x 100 feet. It will be three stories high, fronting on Jasper avenue. The material to be used in the construction of the building will be cement blocks and it will cost from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

Magrath, Hart & Co. report a greater movement in Strathcona property, more particularly business property, during past month than during the entire previous year.

Frank Knight of Belleville, Ont., purchased during the week lots 1 and 2 in block 64, on the west side of Whyte avenue from Stuart Hill for \$8,000, a record for that section of the street. Crawford & Weeks effected the sale.

The great increase in coal-mining operations during the present year has had an important effect on land values in the Clover Bar district. On Saturday night last one well-known farmer refused \$50 an acre for land that six years ago he purchased for \$6 an acre.

General Manager James of the C. N. R. made the statement while in Edmonton this week that the extension of the Morinville branch to Athabasca landing this year depended on the labor supply available.

The Medicine Hat News states that it has it on very good authority that this spring will see a start made on the biggest private owned car shops in Canada, to be located a few miles east of Medicine Hat. A lot of Western money will go into the enterprise. This will mean, says the News, that Medicine Hat will have to build a street car line to connect with the proposed works.

The statement of Mr. A. T. Cushing, in his speech in his capacity of retiring president at the annual meeting of the Board of

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Trade, to the effect that real estate was too high in Edmonton has aroused a great deal of discussion. There is nothing new about Mr. Cushing's opinion, except it has not been given utterance to on a public occasion before. It has often been expressed in private, however. But we should remember that two and three years ago people were saying the same thing and there is a good deal of difference between the prices that Edmonton property was bringing then and now and the person who makes too positive a declaration is apt to have his reputation as a prophet badly damaged. The Saturday News had a talk the other day with a very large dealer in property who had passed through periods of great development in Western American cities, Kansas City, Omaha, and others, and he was firmly of the opinion that, when the future ahead of Edmonton was considered, property values were not a bit high by comparison. He was not a booster, either, for he then had no property to unload and was here for the purpose of buying. Of course, we all know that, no matter what the future holds for a place, there are bound to be ups and downs in its real estate history. No city, whatever its resources, has ever escaped set-backs and what is true of the past will undoubtedly be true of the future. But just at present, with all the development that the next year must see in Edmonton, with many millions of dollars being expended here, with several great railway lines devoting every energy to secure an entrance at an early date, with a great inrush of settlers to the country adjacent just imminent and a new empire about to be opened to the west and north, does it look as if there is likely to be a collapse of values for a considerable time to come? But, somebody says, why shouldn't people be reasonable and advance values in a moderate fashion so that there should be no collapse at any time? That is asking too much of human nature, surely. So long as there is private ownership of property it will be the subject of speculation. It cannot be avoided till we change the system of property-holding altogether.

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the week in Strathcona were those of property held by Premier Rutherford. He disposed of the McWhitney corner at Whyte and Main avenues, to Magrath, Hart & Co. for \$20,000. It has a frontage of 66 feet on Whyte and 105 on Main. The premier also sold lot 12 in block 61 to Messrs. Douglas Bros. and A. McLean for \$10,000. It

has 33 feet on Whyte Avenue and is occupied by Knapp's millinery store and Cowles' drug store. Still a third deal was made by Mr. Rutherford when he sold the southwest quarter of section 27 just east of the limits of Strathcona, for \$22,000 to a syndicate, which will resell it in blocks.

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The members of the chorus were:
Soprano—Mesdames Fitzgerald, Sauegon and Misses Tait, E. B. Ching, B. Chapman, M. Entwistle, K. Garrison, A. M. Hetherington, C. H. Lauder, F. McCrimmon, E. Patterson, I. Sparks, M. Tucker, H. Tucker, E. Tucker.

Tenors—Messrs A. H. Bennett, S. Fidler, J. J. Hendra, Hurst, J. G. Jamieson, A. A. Murray, F.

V. Newsome, A. G. Reid, R. S. Robertson, Saunders, G. Senior, J. L. Sturholme, E. P. Williams, W. C. Marshall.

Alto—Mesdames N. A. Adams, E. Garrison, O. M. Hetherington, M. Johnstone, C. Race, Misses B. Nicholls, L. Ashwell, L. Umbach, E. Webster, A. Young, S. M. Cameron.

Bass—Messrs Adams, C. Birch, C. L. Douglas, G. A. Griffiths, E. F. Kühn, E. W. Mantle, A. C. Marshall, G. Niblett, A. B. McCurdy, R. Pearson, G. Tucker, G. R. Phillips, F. A. Robertson.

About Town

The officers elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Trade: President, Wm. Short; 1st Vice President and Chairman of New Industries Committee, A. C. Fraser; 2nd Vice President and Chairman of Transportation Committee, J. C. Dowsett; 3rd Vice President and Chairman of Civic Interests Committee, K. W. McKenzie. F. T. Fisher is chairman of the publicity committee. The convenors of sections are: Wholesale, Geo. Stockard; Retailers, J. P. E. Lessard; Manufacturers, A. T. Cushing; Financial, T. M. Turnbull; Professional, E. T. Bishop; Grain and Milling, A. B. Campbell; Insurance, Jas. McGeorge; Real Estate; P. E. Butchart.

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PERSONAL

Mark Sanderson of Leith, Scotland, manufacturer of the celebrated "Mountain Dew" whiskey, visited Edmonton, Medicine Hat and Calgary during the week.

Rev. Father Desmarais of Athabasca Landing intends to go east for a few months on account of ill-health.

The death took place this week of Mrs. R. A. Mason of Kinistino Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Mason came from Prince Edward Island a year ago.

George Manuel returned from his eastern trip on Monday.

L. A. Ward, the well-known guide, is in Edmonton making arrangements for his trip north with the opening up of spring.

J. D. Watson of Clay, Robinson & Co., the great Live Stock Commission firm of Chicago, is visiting various Albertan towns and cities. He was at the Stockmen's Convention in Red Deer this week.

W. Allan Child has been appointed provincial manager for the Nordheimer Company for Saskatchewan. He has recently returned from the east and leaves for Regina in two weeks time.

W. H. Field, lately of Calgary, and a gentleman of very extended experience in the piano business, which he knows from the ground up, has become associated with George L. Graham in the Northern Alberta Agency for the Bell piano.

A very pleasant "surprise" party was given Miss Emma Johnson at her home on Tuesday evening by the members of the Victoria I. O. G. T. Lodge. The guests numbered about thirty, and games and music were the diversion. A splendid supper was served, and everyone present spent a most enjoyable evening.

The Baseball Minstrels

Holly Shephard is the minstrel man all right. Within the three weeks he has welded a complete, fast, clean and great show from home talent. The songs are new, the "gags" modern, the costumes striking, and stage setting for the first part rich and gorgeous. Tom Rooke, as the end man is only second to "Holly," and the other feature men are good especially the ballad singers. Mr Birk, Dr. Harwood, James Scott, Geo. Franklin will be heard for the first time in this production. There will not be a dull minute in the show but something doing all the while. Ginger is Shephard's trade mark. This second part will be made up of up-to-date specialties, club swinging, the elite quartette, funny police-man act, dancing act, "lazy noon" Rooke and Shephard in a lot of nonsense. Taking the show as a whole it will be as the cards claim "up-to-now." Remember the dates March 4th, 5th and 6th.

BORN

Hallier—At Edmonton on 18th inst., the wife of J. A. Hallier of a son.

Marshall—At Strathcona, Friday, February 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marshall, a son.

Carscallen—On February 9th to Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Carscallen, Red Deer, a son.

Code—In Rosedale, on Feb. 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. Elias Code, Red Deer, twin boys.

Dwyer—To Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dwyer, Egg Lake, a son.

MARRIED

Barker—Kincart—On February 20th, at the Methodist Parsonage Strathcona, by the Rev. T. J. Johnston, M.A., B.D., Mr. Albert J. Barker and Miss Mildred Kincart, both of Strathcona.

Bower—Mackenzie—At the Pres-

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Lof—At New Sweden, on February 10th, 1907, John Lof, aged 87 years, 5 months and 3 days.

Kerr—Meade—At the parsonage, Wetaskiwin, on February 19th, 1907, by Rev. J. H. Bowering, Mr. Bruce Kerr, of Strathcona, to Miss Jimena J. Meade, of Lewisville.

Elliott—At Strathcona on Sunday, Feb. 17th, 1907, Mrs. Eleanor H. Elliott, widow of the late Robert Elliott, aged 85 years and 10 months.

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J. A. Jackson barrister of Ponoka, has made the suggestion in a strong letter to the Ponoka Herald that the government should locate the asylum for the insane in that town. Many fine sites could be found for the building. Mr. Jackson also points out that with the excellent water to be obtained at that point, it would make a first-class divisional headquarters.

The following officers have been elected by the Leduc Conservative Association: Hon. Pres., Wm. Douglas; President, P. J. Mullen; 1st Vice, Jas. Mundy; Secy., R. H. Simonds; Treas., W. G. Lowry.

Before the railway committee at Ottawa, the Great West Co.'s bill for a line from Cowley, on the Crow's Nest Pass branch of the C. P. R., following the North Fork of the Old Man's river through the "gap" in the Livingstone range, was taken up and reported favorably.

At a meeting held at Athabasca Landing, delegates from the Lac La Biche and Pine Creek Settlements being present, it was resolved to ask the provincial government to open a wagon road between Athabasca Landing and Lac La Biche via Pine Creek and to have a bridge built across the Lethbridge river and to have approaches thereto sufficiently graded and made fit for travel.

D. C. McEachren has resigned the principalship of the Leduc Public School.

Mayor Mills of Strathcona will address the Leduc Board of Trade at an early date on "Taxation."

The Olds Board of Trade is taking steps to secure a particular tract from the C. & E. Townsite Co. for a manufacturing district and also for another spot that is centrally located for a public park. The committee on hospital work is endeavouring to get a hospital project on foot and is looking into the matter of building and equipment.

Steps are being taken in Lethbridge to secure the entire river bottom, lands and bluffs for civic purposes.

J. T. North has retired from the proprietorship of the Claresholm Review and is succeeded by Messrs. Shilling and Payne.

At the Masonic Grand Lodge in McLeod it was definitely decided to go ahead with the establishment of a Masonic school and home, for which purpose a section or so of land will be purchased at some central point where suitable buildings will be established for the care and education of children of the members of the Masonic order who are unable to afford them a good education. Grand Master H. C. Taylor of Edmonton instituted Ashler Lodge of Calgary last week, the fourth in that city.

F. Finch, of Medicine Hat, rear brakeman on freight No. 74, fell from a car near Swift Current, and was instantly killed. The unfortunate young fellow was not missed until the train pulled into the Swift Current yard. He was found about eight miles back, in the vicinity of Beverley, by the crew.

Pansies in February. It sounds incredible this year, but it is true. On Saturday P. J. Bourcheir picked in his garden six perfectly formed pansy blossoms, surely the earliest

of the year. There is no telling what sunny Alberta can do when she tries.—Innisfail Free Lance.

A rifle association is to be formed in Vermillion.

A rival village is growing up at the coal mine near Tofield, which has been named Parsonville.

The body of a man was found on the prairie near Calgary by W. J. Tregulles. He had evidently been dead three or four months. From papers found on the deceased it is thought that he is a young Englishman named William Hawthorne, who enlisted in Strathcona's Horse at Winnipeg on February 9th, 1900, and who obtained an honorable discharge from that regiment at Cape Town on February 19th, 1901.

Hiram Earl, of Ferrybank, was killed while driving into Ponoka. A runaway team ran into the rear of his rig and Mr. Earl was struck by the neck-yoke in the back. His ribs were stove in and internal injuries sustained. Death ensued two hours afterwards. He was born in Brockville, Ont., sixty years ago, but spent a large part of his life in the States.

It is said that the C. P. R. will establish a divisional point at Dunmore Junction. It is also reported in Lethbridge that the railway shops are to be moved from Medicine Hat to Coleridge.

Arthur Rolston, son of Joseph Rolston, living six miles southwest of Leduc, was seriously injured by the falling of a tree.

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Should the State question a Man's Belief?

The Toronto Globe comes to the support of Rev. Professor Kilpatrick in his Mormon controversy with Hon. Frank Oliver. The Globe has for a year or so back been paying considerable attention to these citizens of Alberta and its stand has from the first been altogether unworthy of a journal that has been in the past so closely associated with the best in Canadian Liberalism. Here is an extract from its article:

"Mr. Oliver cannot settle this matter by saying the Government has all to do with the citizenship of the Mormons and nothing to do with their religion. Polygamy is more than a matter of religion. It is a practice that comes under the criminal law of the Dominion. It is a worse crime to have several wives than it is to have two, and we send bigamists to prison, and properly so. Until the Minister of the Interior is in a position to assure the people of Canada that the Mormons in this country are not teaching the rising generation to regard polygamy as a legitimate if not a sacred institution instead of censuring it as a crime, he will find it useless to try to allay the dislike and suspicion with which Canadians generally regard them. There is no injustice or uncharitableness in this view of these otherwise good people. The recognition of polygamy by law would be disastrous, and anyone who defends it as legitimate must take the consequences."

The whole question comes down to this: Has the law any right to ask what a man's belief is? Some centuries ago it was considered that it had, but some people thought we had advanced somewhat since those days. If a person repudiates belief in the binding nature of every one of the Ten Commandments, the law has no right to interfere with him, so long as he does not actually violate them. If the Mormons break our marriage laws, there are courts before which they can be prosecuted. Has any prosecution ever been instituted? Till it is, has anyone any right to cast opprobrium upon them?

There are those who claim that the newspapers and the public men of this province do not approach the question from an unprejudiced standpoint, on account of the influence exercised by the Mormons, politically and otherwise. The opinion of another eastern paper which does not agree with the Globe, will therefore be read with particular interest. The Woodstock Sentinel Review states the case admirably in the following:

"The argument that Mormonism as a political system, 'imperium in imperio,' has also a familiar look. That was the argument, was it not? that duty for so long, if it does not still continue to do duty, against the Roman Catholic church. It was, was it not? the argument, on which the penal laws were based. And if it had not been worn out by hard and constant usage would it not be still a good argument in favour of denying the rights of citizenship to Roman Catholics? In view of the claims set up by various Popes—the Syllabus of Pius IX. for instance—and in view of the church's teaching with reference to church and state, would it not still be possible to argue that Roman Catholics cannot possibly be good citizens of any state which does not acknowledge the supremacy of the Pope, and that

therefore Roman Catholics should not be entrusted with the privileges of citizenship? The argument was a great favorite at one time, but it has gone out of fashion in recent times. Experience has shown that in spite of any theories of church and state, in spite of the Syllabus, in spite of Papal claims to supremacy, Roman Catholic citizens may be and actually are, quite as good and as loyal citizens as their neighbors.

It is true that the Roman Catholic church is still attacked as a political system, 'imperium in imperio,' but we don't hear the Government denounced for not discouraging Roman Catholic immigration and settlement.

If there are any charges to be made against the teachings and practices of Mormonism as it is known in Canada, it is only fair that they should be frankly and plainly set forth. It is scarcely fair to hold the Mormons of Alberta responsible for what Joseph Smith or Brigham Young taught or did, any more than it would be fair to hold Roman Catholics in Canada responsible for the Spanish Inquisition or the Methodists responsible for John Wesley's belief in witchcraft.

About Town.

The Vermilion Signal, in discussing the institutional church which the McDougall Methodist congregation proposes to erect, states, that Vermilion already has an institutional church, built last summer, the credit for its establishment being due to Rev. Wm. Simons, Presbyterian minister there. "It is not says the Signal on the same elaborate scale as that planned for the capital city, but there are recreation, reading and other rooms and if there was not, before it was built, anything known by that name in Canada, this and not the one to be erected in Edmonton is the first institutional church in the Dominion."

The Canadian Pacific Railway announce that double train service will be re-ummed as follows: No. 1 will run through to Calgary, arriving Calgary March 3rd; No. 2 will leave Calgary March 4th, Nos. 15 and 16 between Calgary and Strathcona; Nos. 101 and 102 between Calgary and McLeod; Nos. 113 and 114 between McLeod and Lethbridge will be resumed March 4th.

J. E. McCarthy has moved his grocery and dry goods store across the street to his new quarters on the south side of Jasper avenue between 8th and 9th streets and cordially invites the ladies of the west end to call and inspect his stock.

The Moravian congregation in Strathcona have purchased lots in the east end of that town and will build a church there this coming summer.

The member of Lodge Edmonton S. O. E. have issued invitations for a lecture to be given by Howard Haywood, R.G.S.A., on the evening of Monday, March 4th, in Unity Hall, Sandison Block. The subject of the lecture will be "Scenes of the Homeland," illustrated by limelight views prepared for this purpose by President Ernest Brown.

H. C. Taylor of the firm of Taylor, Boyle & Parlee was honored at the Masonic Grand Lodge in McLeod by election to the office of Grand Master. Other officers are: Deputy Grand Master, Rev. G. H. Hogbin, Calgary; Grand Senior Warden, T. McNabb, Lethbridge; Grand Junior Warden, J. T. McDonald, Calgary; Grand Treasurer, E. N. Brown, Calgary; Grand Secretary, Dr. G. McDonald, Calgary; Grand Registrar and historian, C. H. Stuart Wade, Edmonton; Grand Chaplain, Rev. Hoyle,

Calgary; Grand Tyler, R. H. Finch, Calgary; Grand Organist, Vernon W. Barford, Edmonton. Three district Grand Masters were appointed. For the Edmonton district Dr. A. E. Jamieson, Master of Edmonton Lodge was appointed; for Red Deer, Rev. Mr. Hinchliffe; the south C. W. E. Gardner. To the Board of General Purposes were added the names of R. Patterson and J. H. Tomlinson, Calgary; J. F. C. Bown, Edmonton, and R. Scott, Carstairs. Rev. G. H. Hogbin was appointed president of the Board and C. H. S. Wade, president.

At the public meeting held on Thursday it was decided to reappoint the old fair board.

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IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD



The hockey which the visit of the Regina team to Northern Alberta brought out shows what a change would come over the game, if it could be gotten out of the narrow groove in which it remains for the most of the season. The fact that an interprovincial championship was said to be at stake, (though in the absence of a league, it is hard to understand just what claim Edmonton has to the championship of Alberta) brought out big crowds and abundant enthusiasm. As for the games themselves, they were hockey that was hockey. Edmonton won the first by 5 to 2, though the score was two all till well on into the second half. The Alberta Capital won again on Saturday night by 6 to 1, but the score was one all at half time, while on Monday night the visitors were in the lead by 4-3. Strathcona got away with them by 6-3 on Tuesday. Blair was at cover instead of the Edmonton captain, Powers, and played a steady game. The forward line, Deeton, Campbell and the two Blomfield's were strong and effective, though in shooting an improvement could be shown. Grady and Banford made an excellent defence.

The Edmonton victory was celebrated by the players and supporters of the club at the Morton Cafe on Saturday. On Monday night arrangements were made for entertaining the visitors but the latter did not turn up. T. P. Edwards, formerly of the Imperial Bank, Edmonton, but now of Battleford, was in the city for the games and issued a challenge on behalf of the team in this town for the Second Shield of which Edmonton obtains possession by its victory over Regina.

Olds has secured the championship of the Central Alberta League, defeating Lacombe on Friday in Calgary by 4-3. It was a warm contest from first to last. The Central teams have shown that in a provincial league they would be able to hold their own. On Saturday night Lacombe went up against Calgary and was beaten by 3-2.

The baseball season started in Lethbridge a week ago last Saturday, Feb. 16, when the local team defeated Taber by 3 to 2. This doesn't remind one very forcibly of the North Pole.

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One of Riel's Ministers.

Death of Charles Nolin, who played quite a part in early days of the West.

There died two or three weeks ago at Battleford a man whose history, the Vermillion Signal says, was in one way and another intimately wrapped up in that of the Canadian West; in fact, it may be stated that no history of the old Northwest Territories that might be written would be complete in which the name of Charles Nolin did not appear.

Mr. Nolin was a native Manitoba, and like Louis Riel, with at least one of whose sanguinary enterprises he was prominently identified, he belonged to the Metis, or French half-breed element of the Red River settlement. Whether or not he took any leading part in the Red River rebellion of 1870 is not stated. At all events, he was a member of the provincial government formed shortly after the termination of that tragic affair and a colleague of Hon. Jos. Royal, holding the portfolio of agriculture.

One day the provincial government fell. Mr. Royal, on his way from the executive offices, encountered the minister of agriculture.

"Well Nolin," he observed, "the government is beaten. We must resign."

The honorable the minister shifted the weight of his burly figure from one moss-covered foot to the other and regarded the attorney-general meditatively.

"Oui, de gouvernement she is defeat, ha?" he repeated.

"Yes," replied Mr. Royal.

"And you will resign, Monsieur?"

"We will resign, certainly," answered Mr. Royal.

"Bien, Monsieur Royal," said his colleague, "you may resign if you wish. Me, I not resign."

Three thousand dollars a year and a seat in an upholstered leather chair seemed too good a thing to the big native to give up over a trifle like a governmental defeat.

Circumstances, however, must have proved too strong for him, for a few years later, when Riel's second rebellion broke out at Batheche, the ex-minister came once more into the limelight as a cabinet officer; only this time, instead of serving Her Majesty, he was in the service of Her Majesty's declared enemy, the rebel leader. He was a member of Riel's "provisional government of the Saskatchewan."

Nolin appears to have been perniciouly active in the earlier stages of the insurrection, but after blood had been spilled at Duck Lake he grew fearful for his own neck and, deserting his leader, he fled to the mounted police barracks at Prince Albert, where he was for some time detained as a prisoner. Riel never forgave the desertion and showed intense resentment against his lieutenant during his trial at Regina later in the year.

Following the rebellion, Nolin served one term in the Northwest legislature as a member for Batheche. He had since been employed by the government as farming instructor to the Indians and had also operated ferries at Batheche and Battleford. At the time of his death he was living on a farm at Goose Lake near the latter place.

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The Wind in the Poplars

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Always the same low, haunting croon,
As if it dreamed of old memories
In the dim grey twilight, when, soft and
deep

The sunset fades in the distant west—
For the wind in the poplars can never
sleep.

Its sorrowful threnny knows no rest.
Tall and sombre the poplar stand,
Like the priest's face of a mystic hand;
Ever their silent watch they keep
Around the old house in the hours of
sleep.

And even the wind in the still night-time
Rings through their branches its quaint
old rhyme.
And sobs and moans through the quiver-
ing leaves.

Like some wandering spirit that ceaseless
grieves.

Still it chants in the twilight grey,
Among the shadows that flit and creep,
When the rose-light has died from the
sky away

And their tireless vigil the poplars keep.
Wild is the music—strange and wild—
Ellin laughter and fital moan.

Sorrowful cadence and murmur mild,
Are blent together in every tone.

Yet there's ever a charm in the broken
strain.

And a spirit voice in the old refrain,
And never were sweeter fancies than these
The night wind plays in the poplar trees.

L. M. Monogony, in Sports Affair



A good story is going the rounds of the street which has to do with Mayor Griesbach and his picturesque shadow, a certain bull-pup named Togo, or to the initiated as 'Toodles.'

Recently a teacher at one of the schools, being anxious to instil local patriotism, asked her class the question:

"Who governs Canada?"

Dead silence for a space, until one youngster volunteered:

"The King."

"Trying another tack she queried,

"Who governs the Province?"

A little boy thinking aloud, suggested:

"The Lieutenant-Gov."

"Becoming more hopeful, the faithful instructor of young Canada ventured

"And who runs the city of Edmonton?"

It was a poser. Finally a timid wee girl said she thought it was the Mayor.

"And who is the Mayor?" from the lady behind the teacher's desk, "anyone know him?"

Apparently no one did.

"Why Mr. Griesbach's the

Mayor" said this much-tried tiller of the mind. "I suppose some of you know Mr. Griesbach."

But only one bright boy at that could describe him, and this is what he said.

"I think Mr. Griesbach is the man what has a dog what shows his teeth. When you see a dog what shows his teeth that's him."

I heard some one from Strathcona describing a meeting which our mayor attended not long since over the river, "when" said my informant, "he had the poor taste to bring a voracious bull-pup along with him."

Togo, being a politician and knowing the ropes first cleaned the council chamber of all other canines present and then in the "what we have we'll hold" attitude audibly proceeded to lick his chops.

"How on earth anyone could be expected to take a dispassionate view of any subject under discussion under the circumstances, beats me," said a man who had thoughts of turning a deal on Edmonton. "Personally I was so disgusted I put on my coat and left."

Togo might well serve as Edmonton's mascot, being a splendid specimen of aggressiveness under restraint, a gentleman when treated fair and squarely, but a whirlwind when roused. "When you see a dog what shows his teeth that's him."

I have long known that in the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, but Westerners evidently go you one better and anticipate events with the thermometer down and out of sight, as the following letters published in this week's edition of the Montreal Star go to show. They are many of them from Alberta bachelors, though I have also taken a sprinkling of miscellaneous ones which struck me as irresistibly funny.

Here are a few of them:

"C.P.R. Fireman, a bachelor, 26, (but would not be if the right girl came along), would like correspondents."

"Volunteer, Alta., is 28, and the main support of a widowed mother, two sisters and two brothers. He believes in attending to the outside work, while his mother sees to all the duties indoors. But whenever she wants to go anywhere or to buy anything, she has but to mention it and he is ready to gratify her wish. He thinks a man should do as much for his wife."

Volunteer neglects to mention if he thinks himself capable of gratifying at the same time the wishes of a mother who has reigned as queen in his home, and a wife who will naturally take her place as the mistress of the home.

Oh Volunteer,

Me dear, me dear

I fear you're courting trouble

Why won't you see

This cannot be

It's all a gay soap-bubble.

All the same, I admire this plucky Albertan's sense of duty and I am quite sincere in hoping he

won't attempt more than he can safely manage.

Miss Constance, N.B., (20) would like to correspond and exchange postcards with bachelors about her own age.

Irish Widow, Que., who has no objection to smoking would like a few western bachelor correspondents.

A Quebec Girl, who has no objection to smoking (the naughty girl! what brand does she use?) would like correspondents.

Homesick Girl, Nfld., a school ma'am of (19), fond of music, reading and fancy work, would like to correspond with the readers. She thinks that some of the Western bachelors must have "marriageitis" very badly, and hopes it will not reach Newfoundland.

A Lady Farmer, Neb., would like correspondents, including Orphan Boy, Idaho, as she is interested in the Fruit Belt there. Enigmatical rather, nest-ee pas!

Chips, Sask., (23), would like lady correspondents under 30. He has travelled extensively, but likes the west the best.

Lonely Lassie, Ont., is thinking of going West in the spring, and would be pleased to hear from a nice lady who wants a girl. Would also like bachelor correspondents if they will write first.

Poor lady, how long under the circumstances may she reasonably expect her dishes washed?

Juneflower, Ont., who enjoys farm work, and is very fond of flowers, would like correspondents, including Orphan Boy, Idaho.

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Lonesome, Alta., a lonely widower (43), with no children, would like Protestant lady correspondents between 25 and 40, not averse to marriage.

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The Saturday News is the official organ of the Alberta Farmers' Association, the officers of which are:

President, Joshua Fletcher; Vice-President, Thomas H. Woodford; Cardston; Secretary-treasurer, W. F. Stevens, Clover Bar; Directors, George A. Ball, Strathcona; Rice Sheppard, Strathcona; Henry Jameson, Red Deer; George Macdonald, Olds; T. W. Harris, Raymond; E. N. Barker, Cardston.

OBJECTS OF THE A. F. A.

(Extract from the constitution of the Alberta Farmers' Association.)

This Association is not a political organization nor does it purpose enforcing the policy of any political party nor the candidature of any politician and the object of the Association shall be—

- (1) To forward the interests of the producers of grain and live stock in every honorable and legitimate way.
- (2) To hold meetings for the discussion of subjects pertaining to the production of grain and live stock, and the best means of marketing the same.
- (3) To encourage the production of superior varieties of grain, and the breeding and rearing of improved stock.
- (4) To encourage the establishment of industries which will give the producer greater facilities for marketing his produce.
- (5) To obtain by united effort profitable and equitable prices for farm produce.
- (6) To watch legislation relating to the farmers' interest, particularly that affecting the marketing and transportation of farm produce.
- (7) To suggest to Parliament from time to time as it is found necessary through duly appointed delegates, the passing of any new legislation to meet changing conditions and requirements.

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Via C. P. R.—

Edmonton	-	-	-
Strathcona	-	-	-
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Red Deer	-	-	-
Drishury	-	-	-
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Okotoks	15-00	8-84	12-00
Macleod	14-4	8-5	11-52
Puncher Creek	15-00	8-84	12-00
Lethbridge	13-8	8-16	11-4
Raymond	17-4	10-2	13-92
Cardston	18-00	10-54	14-40
Clareholm	15-00	8-84	12-00
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The Innisfail branch of the A. F. A. expresses itself as follows on an important matter of association policy:

Some farmers object that we are meddling with politics. We do not in any way want to take sides in party politics, but as practically all the laws passed, either at Ottawa or

at Edmonton, affect our interests, touch our pockets, our families and our lives generally in many ways, we want to secure the influence that we ought to have in the making of these laws and in the electing of the men who make and who carry out our laws.

We think these general ideas will approve themselves to every farmer in the country, and we therefore again earnestly call upon every brother farmer to join us, so that we may all stand shoulder to shoulder in our hard life's work.

James Speakman, President
Edward J. Fream, Secretary

At the last meeting of the Innisfail branch a letter was read from the Clover Bar and East Clover Bar locals who wrote asking for assistance in presenting a request to the government for a pork packing and beef canning establishment and asked that if any members would be attending the seed fair at Edmonton they be appointed delegates.

The president and secretary were requested to act as delegates and it was unanimously resolved that in the opinion of the members of this Association the Alberta government should take immediate steps with a view to the early establishment of a pork packing and beef canning factory and to provide a way of marketing chilled beef.

The Central Association wrote offering to hold a public meeting in March and the offer was accepted and the secretary instructed to make the necessary arrangements.

An interesting paper on the "Formation of Municipalities throughout Alberta" was read by H. A. Malcolm. This paper, which dealt most exhaustively with the municipal laws of Ontario, was well received and an animated discussion ensued at the close thereof.

It was eventually decided that the time was not yet ripe for a "Municipal Law" in Alberta, and that if more power were given the councils under the present local improvement act, it would be found to be satisfactory for some time to come.

The proposed change in the homestead law was taken up and it was decided to send a resolution to the Minister of the Interior to the effect that in the proposed homestead law old settlers appear to be put to a disadvantage as compared with new settlers, in this way:—New settlers can homestead and further preempt by putting in residence on the homestead and only cultivation duties on the pre-emption, if the latter is within a radius of nine miles of the homestead, while old settlers who generally cannot find any land within nine miles have to put in residence on preemptions further away, which in many cases will render the pre-emption privilege useless to them. It is suggested therefore that the proposed law be amended so that old settlers can preempt at any distance from their homesteads with cultivation duties only, and without residence.

LETHBRIDGE POULTRY SHOW.

The Lethbridge Poultry and Pet Stock Association on February 13th surprised the public, and especially the fancier public, with their display of pure bred poultry which would have been a most creditable display anywhere, and when the judge, who is not strictly a novice, has, in the vulgar vernacular of the

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sporting ring to "pull up his socks" to judge them there is much that is doing. The judge in particular expected a few in a class and several breeds, but did not expect to run into 15 good Barred Rock pullets in a class or 16 White Wyandotte hens in one class. Buff Orpingtons, a splendid utility fowl, were very well represented here and

the White Rocks in the phraseology of down East were "clergunt." To appreciate the Leghorn we have but to own some and the cognomen of "everlasting layer" which used to belong to the Hamburg has passed to the Leghorn. At Lethbridge there were good specimens or strong classes of Barred Rocks, White Rocks and Buff Rocks, Sil-

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Not only were the birds at Lethbridge good but they were "shown" white ones washed and most of them well put down.

E. N. Barker.

THE REGINA CONVENTION.

The Saskatchewan Grain Growers held a most successful convention at Regina last week. Among those present as delegates were: Mr. Joshua Fletcher, president of the Alberta Farmers' Association and several members of the Manitoba Grain Growers. The response made to the invitation extended the Alberta Association, even though it involved a journey of about seven hundred miles, is illustrative of the desire of the organization to seize every opportunity to enhance its ability to advance the interests of the agriculturists of the province. The deliberations at Regina will undoubtedly be turned to excellent account by Mr. Fletcher. On his taking the platform, he was, according to the Regina Standard, greeted with loud applause, and president Hopkins declared that Saskatchewan and Alberta were twins, with the interests of one the interests of the other. The work of the two associations was that of "digesting" and assimilating the immigration which came to the west. In reply Mr. Fletcher conveyed the greetings of Alberta. He was present, he said, to learn by listening to the discussions of the older brothers and to gain hints of subjects affecting the welfare of his people.

Some controversy has taken place in the public press of late between several members of Saskatchewan association, and fears were expressed that there would be a serious cleavage in the ranks. These have not been realized. All the controversialists were present and there was no evidence that they did not intend to work heartily together for the good of the organization.

The most important matter dealt with was the question of storage elevators. Mr. Partridge, of the

Grain Growers' Grain Company, made a proposition that the government should undertake the construction and operation of an elevator or elevators at every shipping point throughout the province. It is, he said, proposed to construct these elevators of concrete on a uniform plan with uniform sized bins, say 1,000 bushel capacity, which is a suitable transportation unit. They would be equipped with an up-to-date cleaner, so that the grain could be cleaned before storing and the screenings given to the owner of the wheat. They would also be equipped with scales for weighing in and weighing out. Provision would be made for small lockers in which a sample of each load after being cleaned would be deposited, giving a true sample of contents of each bin.

At points already equipped with elevators the owners thereof would be given the opportunity to dispose of these elevators to the government at a fair valuation. Where they declined to do so government elevators would be erected, and they could take their chances of competing with the government-owned elevators. At the beginning of the season a farmer presenting himself with wheat would be allotted a bin at a fixed rental per month or fraction thereof. Thus no one would occupy space which he was not prepared to fill in a reasonable time. The fact that the wheat was stored under government supervision would enable the issuing of an official document (a storage receipt) which would be capable of being used as collateral security by hypothecation for a loan which would enable the farmer to discharge his more pressing liabilities whether cars were available for transportation or not.

The fact that the building was used solely for the purpose of storage would eliminate any temptation to give light weights, take heavy dockages, mis-grade or change the identity of the stored product, in fact give all the advantages of a farmers' elevator with a number of additional ones. As soon as the owner of the wheat desired to ship it the manager of the elevator would notify the railway co., which by an amendment in the Grain Act, could be charged for any further storage accruing against the grain. Also they could be charged with interest on the market price of the grain from the date when transportation was demanded and not supplied until such transportation was provided. Periodically a Government inspector could be sent to grade the contents of the elevators and issue grade certificates, or it would be graded by samples forwarded from the lockers. The elevator operator could issue the weight certificate, then all necessary documents to effect sale or secure advances at the rate of interest at which money can be secured on such documents (namely six per cent.) would be in the hand of the owner.

An extended discussion took place. Hon. W. R. Motherwell, minister of agriculture, expressed a strong leaning towards the system

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of internal government elevators, and chairman of the Dominion Grain Commission, who visited Alberta in December, asked for an expression of opinion as to whether he should continue in office. He desired this from the convention, as the actual choice had to be made by the executive. A resolution was accordingly passed unanimously thanking him for his services. On Mr. Motherwell's own motion, a resolution was passed forbidding

Some criticism having been directed towards him in connection with the controversy above referred to, Mr. John Millar, the secretary,



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members of parliament from holding office in the association. Mr. Motherwell was last year honorary president of the association. Mr. Hopkins was unanimously reelected president.

An important resolution which passed unanimously was as follows: "Whereas the railway companies operating in Saskatchewan have utterly failed to move the product of the country within reasonable time, thereby causing incalculable loss to the farmers. Be it therefore resolved that an earnest effort be made to procure legislation from the Dominion parliament providing for a reasonable system of reciprocal demurrage, and that the executive take the necessary steps to have the matter put in proper legislative shape."

The stock judging school has had very successful sessions during the week in Edmonton. The speakers have all confirmed the golden opinions which they won at the other schools in the towns to the south. Next week the school goes to Wetaskiwin, remaining there from the 4th to the 9th.

The prize winners at Lacombe were:

1. W. R. Winslow, 138.
2. H. A. Skinner, 135.
3. Geo. McGill, 125.
4. W. A. McIlraith, 122.
5. J. S. B. Lanthier, 119.

Messrs. Winslow and Skinner will have their expenses paid to the Spring Show in Calgary and the remaining four will receive money prizes in the proportion of \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1.

A most enjoyable banquet was tendered the stock men at the Victoria Hotel in Lacombe at the close of the school in that town, among the speakers being W. F. Puffer, M.P.P., Deputy Minister Harcourt, James A. Turner, Jesse Fraser, J. T. Parker, Col. Gregory and others.

The Central Alberta Stock Growers' Association is holding its meeting in Red Deer this week.

Christian Marker, dairy commissioner, states Ferrybank creamery near Lacombe has established a record for a first year's business, 74,009 pounds of butter having been manufactured.

A flourishing branch of the A. F. A. has been established at Wil-

lowdale in the Red Deer district.

The following from the Farmers' Advocate requires no comment.

"Some members of the Society of Equity in Alberta have begun the organization of an institution for the conduct of the farmers' commercial enterprises. The fundamental principle of this institution, if we understand the doctrine of the society and the press reports aright, is to regulate the price producers are to receive for the labor of their hands and the bounty of their fields. A casual survey of the farmers' commercial enterprises, the project is not without its pleasing aspects for the industrious toiler. It anticipates the time when the producer of actual necessities shall say to the consumer of the same, 'Pay me a certain price for wheat, meat, vegetables, etc., or go hungry until you think these commodities are worth that much to you.' The final analysis of the plan resolves itself into this: that the law of supply and demand, which the society professes to repudiate, is to be localized and administered by the officers of the society in a concrete form, instead of as at present by the mass of producers and consumers, as an abstract principle. The society ignores the fundamental principle that in the satisfying of human needs it is best that the energy required for production be utilized more economically than men may live more abundantly, rather than that it should be curtailed and men live less strenuously. Such a misconception arises out of the belief that the evils of the unequal distribution of wealth can be eliminated by the regulation of the production of it. The premise is illogical. We want more wealth than ever before and should not curtail production, but we should isolate the problem of distribution and apply ourselves definitely to its solution."

Persons wishing to attend the Provincial Seed Grain Fair or the exhibition of the Alberta Poultry and Fat Stock Association and Convention should purchase single first class ticket to Edmonton, securing from the Agent or Conductor on train, if no station agent, a standard certificate of purchase of ticket to present to the Secretary at Edmonton for signature. This will entitle the holder to one third return rate, or free if one hundred certificates are presented.

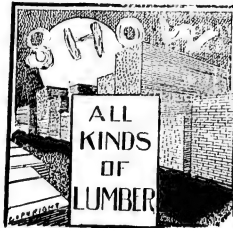
THE POULTRY SHOW.

The following is a list of special prizes to be competed for at the exhibit of the Alberta Poultry and Pet Stock Association on March 6, 7 and 8, showing classes to which prizes are to be awarded, the names of donors of the prizes and their value:

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CITY MESSENGER SERVICE



They were sitting in the rotunda of the Alberta. Of course this does not signify their exact location for, as John I. Moore pointed out the other night, there is always an Alberta hotel and an Alberta livery stable in every city, town and hamlet in the province. But as a matter of fact it was the hostelry over which Tom Rookes presides that they were for the moment gracing. The visitor from the east had been reading the local page of one of the Edmonton dailies 'Isn't it a funny thing' he said 'that the man who appears to run everything in Edmonton has the same name as the man you hear everybody talking about in Calgary.'

It is strange, isn't it?

I don't want to encourage hanging around hotel rotundas but there is no place where human nature can be studied to better advantage. I saw the other day an illustration of a variation of an old adage—what a mouthful that was? 'None so deaf as those who won't hear' we have often been told. But there are few so deaf that they cannot hear on certain occasions. 'Bill' said an well-known business man to an old-timer who was sitting beside him on a cushioned sofa. 'Let me introduce you to Mr. Hanson.'

The old man put his hand to his ear and shouted 'What did you say the name was?'

'Hanson!' yelled his friend.

'Very glad to meet you Mr. Johnston.'

It was Mr. Johnston this, Mr. Johnston that for a quarter of an hour, his companion finding it very difficult to carry on the conversation with the old man. At last in a very matter of fact voice 'Mr. Johnston' said 'Well, let's go and have a drink' to everyone's amazement no shouting was necessary. The old fellow jumped to his feet immediately and started in the proper direction.

The incident serves to recall a tragedy which befell a newly arrived son of the land o' cakes this winter. He wore one of these cloth caps that can be let down at the sides and tied over your ears and under your chin. One day, when the thermometer was between 20 and 30 below, I met him walking along with his car-flaps hanging loose. 'Why don't you tie your cap and keep your ears warm, Donald?' I said.

'Well, Lad' he said 'I'll tell ye. Last week I was walking down the street w' Dugald Thomson. I noddid to a man, that was a fren' o' mine and not o' his. He was just past when Dugald shouted 'Why didna ye go with him.'

'Go where?' I said

'He said to you to stop and have a drink wi' him.'

'Mon, but these arrangements for keepin' the cold out have their inconveniences. My flaps were tied down and I hadna heard him.'

The Red Deer Advocate says that J. T. Moore delivered a ringing address on the telephone policy of the government. John's friends, who heard him, say that he even got a telephone ring into his voice for the occasion. What a consummate orator he is!

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course the reply came: 'Dear Briefcen,' it ran, 'what is wrong with 'Dunrobin'?'

'Is that Ursa Major?' inquired the young lady who was star-gazing with an elderly gentleman.

Her hostess, who heard her, called her aside a little later, and cautioned her. 'He's a colonel, my dear,' she remarked, 'and I'm afraid you offended him by calling him major.'

'O papa,' said Marie, 'do you know the meaning of Christian names? 'William' means good. I wonder what—what 'Arthur' means?' And the girl blushed. O so prettily! Papa put on his severest aspect. 'I hope Arthur means business,' was the reply.

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There was a large attendance on Feb. 23rd of the members of the Vegreville Branch of the Alberta Farmers Association.

Business was conducted with promptitude. It was decided to have every farmer no matter what cast or creed, who traded in Vegreville, join our family circle, and as a means to that end a committee of five was appointed to arrange for a grand demonstration with assistance of Mr. M. Snow of Winnipeg and some of the Central Officials so that the Association may handle the whole of the crop in the Vegreville district for the coming season without the aid of middlemen. The meeting is to wind up with a supper. Our membership to date is 115. Beef and Pork came up for discussion this week which resulted in the following resolution:

Whereas it is apparent that the farmers of Alberta cannot get a fair and profitable price for hogs and beef under the present conditions.

Therefore be it resolved that the V. B. of the A. F. A. in conjunction with other branches of the same petition the Provincial Government to establish and operate a pork and beef packing plant and that a committee be appointed to wait on the Government. Some of our members complained of the high price of lumber and stated under present conditions they could not afford to build suitable barns and houses. The following was

placed on record:

We hereby endorse the action taken by the Dominion Government in the alleged lumber combine and should a combine actually exist and that the settler has been forced to pay more than the lumber is really worth on account of the said combine that Government will inflict full penalty for such an offence.

The meeting adjourned till 9th March.

Thomas Balaam.

Mr. W. F. Stevens, secretary of the A. F. A., is present at the Stockmen's gathering at Red Deer this week. Word has been received that the convention has been a great success. A full report will appear in the next issue of the Saturday News.

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The Mirror

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Canadian Wild Rose, who thinks there are other places on the map besides the West and other lonely souls besides the bachelors, would like correspondents between 30 and 40.

I think Canadian Rose very coy. Western bachelors will not be deceived by her bluff.

Brown-Eyed Peggy, a lover of music, who would do all in her power to make a home happy, would like Western bachelor correspondents.

Here's luck for someone! No men from up the Peace River without an instrument need apply.

Bachelor Farmer Joe (26), would be very pleased to correspond with a girl who would think it worth while to write to him. He is a member of the church choir, and of a string band, and very fond of music.

Merciful Providence is—oh is there—a woman who will stand for this?

British Charlie, Sask., an abstainer, is lonely, and would like lady correspondents not averse to marriage.

Charlie doesn't state whether its a case of effect for cause, or vice versa.

Western Rambler, Alta., would like correspondents of the gentle sex, east or west.

No breezy, bucking independent western girl should waste her time and stationery in replying. Rambler is evidently a widower, and knows that even the gentlest of them are difficult handling. Isn't it the luck the Eastern girls are having these days! If this sort of thing keeps up there soon won't be more than three old maids in a family.

HOME AND SOCIETY.

A smart little dinner of ten covers was given at the Prince Arthur on Tuesday evening by Mr. Harry Helliwell and Mr. Freddie Macfie in honor of the bride and groom of Wednesday, Miss Grace Robertson and Mr. Tod Lane.

The affair took place in the Rose Room, the table of which was a dream of red roses and carnations banked high in the centre of the board, with individual bouquets of red roses at each place, which served as favors when the guests departed. I hear there were capital speeches, a great many complimentary toasts proposed and that the bride elect looked stunning in a girlish white organdie frock, Val. trimmed and with a deep satin girdle.

Those who were present at the dinner were: Miss Grace Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Bob. Robertson, Miss Abby Sommerville, Miss Saidie Wishart, Miss Pat Matheson and the Messrs. Tod Lane, Harry Helliwell, Freddie Macfie and John Sommerville.

The party of fourteen who drove out to Cooking Lake on Saturday afternoon, returning Sunday night report the very jolliest time imaginable. Everything was strictly *à fresco* and instead of a regular dance the guests had the novel experience of a taste of camping life with the snow still deep on the ground. Mrs. Cooper, who is a fairy godmother to young people generally, chaperoned the party, and enjoyed herself quite as much as the lightest hearted girl present.

The party consisted of Mrs.

Cooper, the Misses Alice Phynne, A. Sommerville, Pat Matheson, Grace Johnston, Gladys McLean, Ethel Ferris and the Messrs. John Sommerville, Macfie, Finn, Heffernan, Stinson and Hoar.

Mrs. H. J. Dawson and her little family returned from a delightful visit to the coast on Thursday. Mr. Graydon also returned the end of the week, greatly improved in health.

Sanderson and Bullen, the photographers, whose series of Empire picture postcards have won for them an enviable reputation the continent over, are next week moving into a fine studio in the new post-office, where they intend to make a specialty of artistic photos and amateur finishing. In the old country both members of the firm were experts in their line, and recently I saw a charming photo of Lady Paget in their studio which is a type of the work they turned out in their London quarters.

I am sure that a sight of their work will win their immediate patronage, while amateur photographers will find in them the most painstaking finishers.

On Feb. 20th the wedding of Miss Margaret Maud Oliver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Oliver, Medicine Hat, to Mr. John Bradshaw, of Calgary, formerly of the Hat, was performed before an interested audience by Rev. J. W. Morrow.

The bride, who was beautifully gowned for the occasion, was assisted by her sister, while Mr. I. Bullivant supported the groom.

After the ceremony a dance was given, the bridal couple leaving on the early morning train for their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw will reside in Calgary.

Mrs. (Dr.) Harrison is expected to leave the hospital on Saturday, after a very critical illness. It was thought best to defer her departure until after the excitement of her sister's wedding was past, as she is yet far from being as strong as her friends could wish her.

At a recent "At Home" given by Mrs. J. A. Macklinton, of Vermilion, Lady von Haast, known to a wide circle of friends in Edmonton, and Mrs. Craig assisted the hostess in serving the delicious refreshments.

In mentioning in last week's Mirror, that Mrs. Whitelaw would in future receive on the last Thursday of the month I neglected to insert the initials T. H. or to name her residential street, Third. Where so many people of one name are residing in any one city, as is in many instances the case in Edmonton, it is very essential that the initials be used.

The merry little Bal Masque which was given by the Misses Sommerville in honor of Miss Grace Robertson on Friday last will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to be among the invitees, as a perfect gale of fun and enjoyment from start to finish. The guests arrived in a bus, uncalvered, and for a wonder, silent. Until they unmasked no one spoke, as to do so meant to reveal her identity; and, when after a space, each member of the party removed her domino, the scene presented beggared de-

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scription. Everyone had apparently guessed everyone else wrong, only Miss Pat Matheson, the belle of the ball, being guessably recognizable. Her, it would be absolutely impossible to adequately

describe. I only mention, "her bright smile haunts me still?" Perhaps I am a bit weary of writing up frocks, perhaps I'm not wanting to be telling you how well everyone looked, but I will confide

The Mirror.

That Mrs. Cooper, dressed as a quawl, captured the dainty prize for the best costume, and that Mrs. J. L. Millar of Wetaskiwin won the guessing contest. Speaking of Mrs. Cooper's costume reminds me that I never saw a finer buckskin coat; the porcupine work adorning it being the handsomest thing of its kind one could imagine. Her heels, and the chief's feathers that formed the head-dress were equally objects of envy, and it was peculiarly fitting that an old-timer in the dress of the original inhabitants of the land, should win the coveted trophy.

In telling you of the supper I am trying to be secret, nor am I inclined when I say that it was the most admirably arranged affair I have ever attended. The centre ornament was a low, flat bowl of the Irish potatoes, surrounded by billowy tiers of the same useful product, candles at the four corners in softly-toned beer bottles shielding a spookish light over all. Here and there, artistically arranged on the hospitable board, were dishes of "crisp Saratoga chips, sandwiches, Dill pickles (boarding-school girl's delight) and doughnuts in huge wooden chopping bowls. The coffee was served in a camp-tin and was ladled out by the baby, while the delicious sherbet was heaped in granite mugs.

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- Introductory Address to English Audience
Rev. D. G. McQueen, D.D.
- Address to Russian Audience
Mr. M. Gowda
- Song to British Flag
"Long Live to Canada"
Russian Chorus
- Quartette
Grace Church Male Quartette
- Solo
Miss Iva Wright
- Song
"The Dark Shadow of the Danube Valley"
Miss Gowda
- Chorus
"In the Lord's Name We Begin"
Howard Stutchbury
- Chorus
"Chumi Maryen"
St. George Gray, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Farquharson and Miss Nelson of Kenora were the guests of the occasion.
- Quartette
Grace Church Male Quartette
- Song
"The Prayer of the Prisoner"
M. Gowda
- Chorus
"The Song of the Traveller"
By Russian Children
- Quartette
Howard Stutchbury
- Solo
Miss Iva Wright
- Chorus
"My Only Evening Star"
St. George Gray, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Farquharson and Miss Nelson of Kenora were the guests of the occasion.
- Quartette
Grace Church Male Quartette
- Song
"The Mountain Stream"
Miss Bryges
- Chorus
"The Song of the Peasant"
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in Russian language to English Melody

Truly it was a triumph of the unique, and when later, the bride-elect was showered with "pounds" from the thirty guest present, the fun was at its height. There were pounds of every thing imaginable, from scouring soap to a pound of coal, and when the bride grew weary of opening packages the "Bridesmaid" did herself proud, and made any number of quaint speeches.

Mrs. Sommerville was as always, the kindest of hostesses, and among many happy pro-nuptial happenings in her honor, I am sure the bride of this week will vote the Bal Masque the best of all.

Word comes of the marriage in Basileue, Quebec, two weeks ago of Mr. J. L. Cote, of the firm of Cautley, Cote & Cautley, Edmonton to Miss Cecile Gagnon. The ceremony was performed by Mgr. O. E. Mathieu, rector of Laval University.

The following gentlemen had the honor of dining at Government House on Tuesday evening: Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Hon. C. W. Cross, Mr. Wm. Short, Mr. A. T. Cushing, Rev. H. A. Gray, Mr. O. M. Biggar, Mr. J. H. Gariepy, Mr. T. S. F. Jackson, Dr. Porin, Mr. Chas. Stuart Wade, Mr. H. C. Taylor, Mr. Geo. Stockand, Mr. J. W. Cunningham.

Congratulations will be extended to Mr. E. Raymer, an old-time resident of Edmonton, though still "one of the boys" on a happy event which took place at Los Angeles, California, on Monday last. Mr. Raymer and his bride, formerly Mrs. Fulton, will have the best wishes of a host of friends, who hope that they will make their permanent home in the Albertan Capital.

Mrs. W. D. Ferris entertained at a trio of charming little luncheons on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs. Stone of Chatham, Mrs. Wallbridge's sister, being the guest of honor at the first, when the hostess wore a most becoming green costume, and the guest of honor was smartly frocked in yellow basket cloth. Daffils and pretty scented candles added their charms to the daintily appointed table. Covers were laid for eight.

Early in the week word was received in town of the death in Toronto of Mr. A. Burdett Lee, Mrs. H. C. Wilson's brother, and one of the most prominent business men of that city. Mrs. Wilson's hosts of friends will extend her deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Blouey was one of last week's hostesses, entertaining at a petite luncheon of eight covers, when the festive board was beautifully arranged with a shower of bright crimson carnations and ferns. Mrs. Graham of Lavozy, Mrs. George Stockand, Mrs. Percy Hardisty, Mrs. St. George Gray, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Farquharson and Miss Nelson of Kenora were the guests of the occasion.

Mrs. Bennett's departure for the coast was the raison d'être of a delightful little tea, given to the members of the Ladies Musical Club, by Mrs. St. George Gray on Saturday. Mrs. Bennett's removal will be a very distinct loss to the musical life of Edmonton; I also hear that Mr. Stutchbury has ideas of retiring from musical circles, which would be a pity, as he is one of the very few residents whose vocal reputation extends beyond the town limits.

Mrs. Riddell and her small son, Harold, returned from the coast the latter part of the week, Master Harold looking much improved in health.

Mrs. J. R. Boyle's tea on Saturday afternoon was one of the largest affairs of the week, a great many guests dropping in to greet the young hostess, who looked very well indeed in a pretty pearl grey silk gown, ornamented with cream

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chiffon and lace applique. The tea table, as, I hear, unusually attractive, being centred with a shower of pink and white azaleas and delicate maiden-hair fern. The Misses Boyle and Sutherland passed the dainty refreshments.

A great deal of interest centred around the Presbyterian Church and the marriage of Miss Grace Robertson, daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Robertson to Mr. Tod Lane at one o'clock on Wednesday, old-timers and newcomers alike dropping in to the church to see the solemn ceremony, the bride drawn by interest in a well-known family, the younger people by their friendship for the fair young bride and her stalwart groom. Only about fifty guests were invited, and these were in their seats at an early hour, being ushered in by Mr. Harry Helliwell and Mr. Freddie Macfie who looked very smart in their frockers and flower bedecked button-holes. Before however, the bride entered the edifice, the church was filled, the scene presented being that of interestingly solemn nature peculiar to weddings alone.

The floral decorations were very attractive, ferns and carnations with sweet peas on the altar, lending a festive air to the occasion.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, looking as bright and happy a picture of youth and happiness as can well be imagined. She wore an exquisite gown of white satin, made in empire fashion and trimmed with quantities of beautiful lace, the transparent veil being studded with pearls and the bridal veil, crowned with orange blossoms, falling in soft folds from her prettily arranged coiffure. "Happy is the bride whom the sun shines on" runs the old adage, but Grace Robertson looked more than happy, she was radiantly lovely.

The bridal bouquet was unusually attractive, being an exquisite shower of white roses and lily-of-the-valley. Miss Lat Matheson, the bridesmaid, wore a very pretty gown of yellow taffeta, with an all-over lace bolero jacket piped with brown velvet, a brown hat trimmed with yellow marguerites, and carried a long spray of golden daffodils. Mr. Fred Robertson supported the groom.

Mrs. Robertson, mother of the bride, was groomed in handsome black net over taffeta, with a fashionable black bonnet. Mrs. Cooper wore grey voile, with a black picture hat banded with red roses, which was very becoming.

Mrs. R. A. Robertson, the bride, was daintily attired in her ivory satin robe des noces, with a large white hat with pale blue plumes.

Miss Webster presided at the organ playing, the wedding marches with great expression.

At the handsome family residence on Jasper Ave. where the reception was held the rooms were beautifully decorated with the choicest cut-flowers, daffodils in the commodious drawing-room, and in the dining-room nothing but white roses, the bridal flower. They fell in heavily-heaped beauty from a great central bouquet on the table; on the bride's cake a fairy shower nodded fragrant good wishes, while the electrolux was hidden beneath a veritable covering of them. Here, greetings and congratulations over, the wedding repast was served after which the bride left to don a stunning travelling suit of brown cloth, beautifully tailored, and a chic hat of pink and blue chiffon, with an under-brim of pale blue chiffon.

Amid a shower of confetti and rice Mr. and Mrs. Lane drove off—where no one knew—as the train didn't leave until next morning when they boarded the train for a honeymoon at the coast.

Both bride and groom have a very wide circle of friends in Edmonton, where they are deservedly popular, who will join in wishing them good health, long life and every happiness.

Peggy

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Note and Comment.

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legislative chamber. It is not an easy thing to get people out to such a gathering as this, however worthy the object, but the promoters in this case did succeed in securing a fairly large attendance. Then, instead of getting down to business with dispatch and electing officers who could make a beginning with the work, the whole evening was frittered away in discussing a lot of matters of no particular consequence. Before the meeting came to an end about half of those who were present had wearied of the proceedings and gone home and most of those who remained declared that their time was too valuable to waste in coming out again. A constitution was read and adopted and a committee was appointed to consider the question of getting a charter. This makes the second meeting which has been held and no working basis has been reached. Is it any wonder that people's enthusiasm dies down under the mass of red tape and alleged oratory and humor, that a meeting, such as that of Monday night, is burdened with. It is appalling what an amount of talk that leads nowhere is indulged in on these occasions. The result is, to say the least of it, very discouraging to those who have been active in this excellent movement. More organizations are killed by an excess of formality than this world dreams of.

The frightful disaster at Hochelaga school, Montreal, by which seventeen little kindergarten pupils met death by suffocation illustrates anew the need of the strictest precautions in school buildings. After every such affair as this, all the trustee boards in the country issue orders for the regular practice of fire drill, but as time goes on carelessness again creeps in. The conduct of the teacher, Miss Sarah Maxwell, who lost her life in en-

deavoring to rescue her charges, was marked by the truest heroism. Her name is one which should not soon be forgotten.

The reports presented at the annual meeting of the Board of Trade shows a year of great expansion on the part of that body. The announcement of the retirement of F. T. Fisher, who has been its secretary for some years, came as a disagreeable surprise. No organization ever had a more painstaking or more thoroughly competent official than Mr. Fisher. He knew the resources of Edmonton and its district as no other man did and the exhaustiveness of his acquaintance with local conditions and the clearness with which he presented his information to enquirers has been the subject of favorable comment on the part of scores who have visited the city during his term of office. The Saturday News is positive that no successor the Board may possibly appoint will be capable of rendering anything like the service that Mr. Fisher is giving and a strenuous effort should be made to retain him in the post.

An event, which calls for particular comment, is the concert which is to be given in the Opera House on Saturday night of this week by the Russian people of Edmonton, notice of which appears on another page. It is the first time that this important element in our citizenship has attempted anything of this kind and an excellent opportunity will be presented of hearing their national songs, for the rendering of which a chorus has been organized. It is a strange thing that the "Galician" should be applied to them as a race. There is no more reason why it should be than that a citizen of Edmonton on going to New York should be called an Albertan instead of a Canadian. Galicia is a province of Austria and a large proportion of those whom we know as Galicians never saw it

but had their homes in other parts of the country. They should properly be called Austrians.

Hon Frank Oliver is responsible for the mistake. In a speech in the House of Commons he referred to one of the original parties of immigrants, who did happen to come from Galicia, as Galicians and the name has stuck ever since. However, no matter by what name they are called, they are an adaptable, industrious people, who are making good in the West and who deserve well of their fellow-citizens.



J. W. WOOLF, M.P.P.

The member for Cardston, whose speech in defence of his Mormon coreligionists was one of the features of this week's proceedings in the Alberta Legislature.

About Town

Of the twenty-three plans submitted for the Royal Alexandra hospital, Edmonton, that of Johnson and Lines carried off the first prize. The design resembles the Royal Alexandra in Montreal very strongly. An administrative building and one hospital building will be first erected at a cost of between \$125,000 and \$150,000. The site selected is north of Jasper between 18th and 19th streets.

The International Gas Company is working Edmonton for a fran-

chise. They offer to furnish gas at \$1.85 a thousand feet, with reductions at 10, 15 and 20 per cent. respectively. They promise to lay nine miles of pipe as soon as it can be got down and guarantee to spend \$150,000. The Northwestern Gas and Oil Company, which sank the well in the east end, is also working for a renewal of its franchise.

Mr. Bedson of the Northern Supply Co. left on business trip to Winnipeg last night.

With the Investors.

The May-Sharp construction company took out the permit for the new post office building this week. The estimated cost is \$250,000.

Strathcona board has completed the site for the new Collegiate institute by purchasing four lots from Ex-Mayor Davies, adjacent to his home for \$4000. Mayor Mills has sold his residence on Whyte Ave. to a syndicate for \$8000.

The leader of the government is not the only political celebrity interested in real estate. A. J. Robertson M.P.P., leader of the opposition, last week purchased the property at the corner of Alberta and First streets in Nanton from A. Hammill.

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